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SUBJECT: LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT TO PRESIDENT PEREZ

1. PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING LETTER TO PRESIDENT PEREZ
PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE FOR THE UNITED STATES:

2. BEGIN TEXT: DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: I DEEPLY APPRECIATE
THE WARMTH AND HOSPITALITY SHOWN TO ROSALYNN DURING HER
VISIT TO CARACAS, PARTICULARLY THE EXTENSIVE PERSONAL
EFFORTS YOU MADE, WHICH CONTRIBUTED GREATLY TO THE VISIT'S
SUCCESS. THE PROPOSALS AND INITIATIVES WHICH AROSE DURING
YOUR WIDE-RANGING, SUBSTANTIVE TALKS WITH ROSALYNN WILL
PROVIDE AN EXCELLENT BASIS FOR OUR DISCUSSIONS DURING YOUR
STATE VISIT TO WASHINGTON. I ALSO WANT TO THANK YOU FOR
YOUR GRACIOUS LETTER OF JUNE 21.

BELIEF IN THE DIGNITY OF THE INDIVIDUAL AND YOUR
SUPPORT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS ARE WELL-KNOWN AND LONG-HELD;
I WAS HEARTENED TO HEAR YOU REAFFIRM THEM. I AM GLAD WE
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AGREE ON THE WISDOM OF INCREASING THE FUNDING AND AUTONOMY
OF THE INTER-AMERICAN HUMANRIGHTSCOMMISSION. I LIKE
YOUR PROPOSAL FOR A SEPARATE JOINT COMMUNIQUE ON HUMAN
RIGHTS, WHICH MENTIONS OUR SUPPORT FOR THE COSTA RICAN

INITIATIVE TO ESTABLISH A UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSIONER
FOR HUMAN RIGHTS.

CLEARLY, ENERGY WILL BE ANOTHER OF THE MAIN TOPICS OF OUR TALKS. MY ADVISORS AND I WILL BE PREPARED TO EXPLORE POSSIBILITIES OF COOPERATION ON ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AND TO EXAMINE AT LENGTH THE MANY ISSUES IN THIS AREA OF MUTUAL CONCERN. YOUR VISIT OFFERS THE OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS TO SEEK WAYS TO CONSULT INFORMALLY BUT FREQUENTLY ON THESE ISSUES AND OTHERS.

WE MAY WISH TO EXPLORE FURTHER SEVERAL POINTS YOU MADE TO ROSALYNN. YOUR PROPOSAL FOR AN ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR THE CARIBBEAN INVOLVING OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS AND SEVERAL OTHERS IS EXTREMELY INTERESTING. WE BELIEVE THAT CONSULTATION AND COORDINATION AMONG DONORS, WORKING WITH THE CARIBBEAN DEVELOPMENT BANK AS WELL AS OTHER INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, SHOULD BE CAREFULLY AND THOROUGHLY EXPLORED. SUCH A COORDINATED APPROACH COULD MAKE OUR ASSISTANCE FAR MORE EFFECTIVE, WHILE ALSO FOSTERING COOPERATION AND ECONOMIC INTEGRATION IN THE AREA.

I AM ALSO EAGER TO DISCUSS YOUR EXCELLENT SUGGESTIONS FOR CLOSER COLLABORATION ON TERRORIST ACTIVITIES, SETTling TERRITORIAL PROBLEMS, REDUCING ARMS EXPENDITURES AND TENSION IN THE ANDES, AND LIMITING THE SPREAD OF NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVES CAPABILITIES.

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I HOPE THAT THESE AND OTHER TOPICS OF DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLY COLLABORATION -- SUCH AS A NEW CANAL TREATY, AND OUR RESPECTIVE RELATIONS WITH AFRICA AND THE MIDDLE EAST -- MIGHT BE INCLUDED USEFULLY IN A SECOND, BROADER COMMUNIQUE. WE HAVE SENT YOU SEPARATELY A DRAFT PROPOSAL FOR YOUR COMMENT.

YOUR STATE VISIT PROVIDES US, AS TWO FRIENDS WHO SHARE SO MANY COMMON GOALS AND IDEALS, WITH AN HISTORIC MOMENT TO COLLABORATE IN THE MANY VITAL AREAS OF GLOBAL, REGIONAL AND BILATERAL AFFAIRS.

ROSALYNN AND I HOPE THAT YOU AND MRS. PEREZ WILL FIND YOUR VISIT TO THIS COUNTRY A USEFUL AND ENJOYABLE ONE, AND THAT YOU WILL LEAVE THE UNITED STATES WITH THE FEELINGS OF WARMTH AND FRIENDSHIP TOWARD OUR COUNTRY WHICH ROSALYNN BROUGHT BACK UPON HER RETURN FROM VENEZUELA.

SINCERELY, JIMMY CARTER. END TEXT.

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